

BRECKINRIDGE LONG OPENS CAMPAIGN FOR U. S. SENATE

St. Louis Man Plays Hyde Administration in Opening Speech at Poplar Bluff—Many Prominent Democrats of Southeast Missouri Attend Big Meeting.

There is before the Democrats today an almost unprecedented opportunity for service in state and nation, but we must get back on the main highway that leads to progress and prosperity, Breckinridge Long of St. Louis, candidate for the Democratic nomination for United States Senator from Missouri, to succeed James A. Reed, the present incumbent, declared in his opening speech at Poplar Bluff Thursday night, April 27. Long said the trouble with us today is that we have wandered from the paths laid out by Woodrow Wilson and are mired by the wayside. He characterized the Republican Administration as one that "hesitates and vacillates," and he took the hide off of the Hyde regime in Missouri, citing facts and figures to prove his assertions.

In the gathering of men and women from Butler and surrounding counties who gave an enthusiastic reception to Long's speech, frequently breaking out in prolonged applause, were representative Democrats from every section of Southeast Missouri, and a number from other parts of the state. Long spoke in part, as follows:

"The Democratic Party faces an opportunity for service, both in the state and in the nation, which is almost, if not quite, unprecedented. Our party has always been the agent of the people, has always tried to be the means of giving effect to the needs of the masses. We are faced now with a crisis, and it is the good fortune of our party to offer relief to the people—to point the way to the future and to be the instrument through which relief will be brought.

"Here in Missouri we have for governor a political despot who has tried to subordinate all the institutions of the state to his own designing power and to concentrate in his own official person all political authority. A recital of his acts sounds like an echo of feudal days. The governor of Missouri has more power than the governor of any other state in the Union, but not content with that, nor satisfied with the authority vested in him by the Constitution, this particular governor set about to violate in spirit the very laws which created him, and tried to centralize in his own hands a control over and power in the state which would have been perilous in the extreme.

"Governor Hyde began his administration by disapproval of the formation of the state government of Missouri as provided in our Constitution. He objected to the distribution of the functions of the Executive Department among six elective officers. His complaint was summarized in the following statement contained in his inaugural address: 'Each of these officers was elected by the people. Over none of them has the governor any control whatever.' He even went so far as to intimate that he favored a complete modification of our present form of government, and complained because the Constitution provided for the creation of Board control of various powers of the state, instead of allowing him to control them all. He declared he favored a replacement of all executive boards with a single responsible individual, the epitome of centralized power, and the exact antithesis of Democratic government.

"At his direction there were introduced during the regular session of the 51st General Assembly the Administration bills, designed to carry out his remarkable recommendations, but they underwent many changes. These so-called Consolidation Bills undertook to create new departments which would absorb many of the normal powers of constitutional and elective officers to a point where it became evident that the Governor was seeking to reduce officials elected by the people to mere clerks, with powers that could be exercised by the liberal use of the rubber stamp.

"The departmental consolidation bills provided for a Department of Agriculture with a single head responsible to the governor; a so-called Department of Public Welfare, combining with it existing bureaus, under a single head, with a vast army of inspectors and agents, all responsive to the imperious will of the governor; a Department of Labor to absorb existing bureaus, but not reducing personnel; and the real purpose of the new departments was to enlarge the powers of the governor for the accomplishment of his political ambitions.

"It was claimed by the governor at this time that these bills would result in a saving to the state, but according to appropriations made for the five new consolidated departments, \$1,927,120, with the addition of the leftover appropriations from the old boards, the total sum for state activities under the Republicans amounted to approximately \$2,676,658 for the two-year period, or \$1,224,210 more than the existing bureaus cost under the last two years of the Gardner administration.

The Hyde Gerrymander.

"But even more iniquitous was his attempt to so gerrymander the state that the Republican party, and particularly the Hyde machine, would be in perpetual control of congressional delegates, the state senate and courts. The Republican platform declared for a

LONG'S PLEDGE.

"The Democratic party has a great opportunity for service. In the state and in the nation conditions exist which can be cured only through the agency of our party. The designing and excessive acts of our governor demand the antidote of a Democratic legislature, and the incompetence and mismanagement of our national administration demand the election of a Democratic Congress.

"This year is a Democratic year. The people are tired of the failure and incapacity of the Republican party. This year will see a great Democratic victory and it will be the forerunner of the election of a Democratic President in 1924. I want to serve in the Senate during his term in order that I may help him in the constructive works I have mentioned and in other ways, and if I am elected to the Senate I will uphold his hands and aid him in every way possible and to the best of my ability represent the people of Missouri."

fair redistricting of the state on a population and not a partisan basis, and then the governor attempted to reapportion the congressional districts so as to make certain the election of at least twelve Republican congressmen out of sixteen. This gerrymander, as well as other moves of a similar nature, such as attempting to rearrange the senatorial districts and to tear down and rebuild in his own way the circuit courts of the state, was circumvented by the people of the state.

"The efforts of the governor to subordinate the state to his own purposes resulted in the most expensive legislature we have ever had, except the Fiftyeth, which had legal charge of the work of revising our statutes and the added expense on that account. The Hyde legislature cost \$450,500, as against \$269,908 as the expense of the Forty-ninth. The 50th General Assembly appropriated during the last two years of the Gardner Administration, not including the school fund, \$17,816,630.99. The Hyde Administration, notwithstanding the hard times and the need for economy, appropriated \$30,274,916.11, which did not include the school or road funds.

Increased Taxes.

"An attempt has been made by the governor to convince the taxpayers of Missouri that the new policy of his board of equalization lowers the taxes. The tax valuation was increased and the tax rate lowered and it is upon this basis he makes the claim. But the Republican legislature passed a bill authorizing a rate of tax levy upon the increased valuation which should not exceed in yield the 1920 taxes plus 1 per cent. But, worse than that, the law permits a 10 per cent increase each year. This means that the high taxes you paid last year may be increased 10 per cent this year—and 10 per cent additional each succeeding year. The 10 per cent increase allowed under the new law amounted to \$5,095,887.02.

"But particularly have the enormous increases of valuation fallen on farm lands. The State Tax Commission in 1920, under Gov. Gardner and a non-partisan body, recommended assessments against farm lands for 1921 at a figure of \$760,667,833. The Republican State Board of Equalization disregarded the estimate and added a cool billion dollars to the valuation, and that is the reason taxes are high.

Have Sinned Nationally.

"Our national government is being administered by persons who are following the most contradictory policies. They hesitate and vacillate. They announce one particular policy and enact an opposite general policy. They said they would keep us out of European affairs, and immediately proceeded to mix us up in Asiatic affairs. They said they would avoid all questions on the other side of the Atlantic and immediately involved us on the other side of the Pacific Ocean. They opposed Article X and immediately agreed to practically the same in the Four-Power Treaty. They announced in favor of building up our foreign trade and then erected a tariff barrier so high it prevents other countries trading with us. They said they would help to stabilize conditions in the world, but have refused to join in any concerted efforts with the people to whom we must sell goods."

Farmers' Needs Favored.

Long said that the people of the Middle West and the Mississippi Valley are more vitally interested in the question of foreign trade than the people of any other section, and in citing facts to prove his contention said that this section raised 42 per cent of the world's cotton, 20 per cent of the world's supply of wheat, 60 per cent of the world's supply of corn, and produced 30 per cent of the world's supply of soft coal, iron and steel, 37 per cent, and 45 per cent of the world's supply of oil.

This year will see a great Democratic victory, Long said, followed by the election of a Democratic president, and he said he wanted to serve in the senate during his term of office that he might assist in putting through a constructive program.

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TRUSTEE'S SALE.

Whereas, Fred Amsden by his certain deed of trust, dated the 17th day of October, 1921, and duly recorded in the office of the Recorder of Deeds for the County of Iron, and State of Missouri, in Book 80, Page 12, conveyed to T. E. Loyd, trustee, the following described real estate, situated in the County of Iron and State of Missouri, to wit:

All of the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of section eleven (11), the north three-quarters of the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section ten (10); also beginning at the southwest corner of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter, running north twenty (20) rods, thence east forty (40) rods, thence south twenty (20) rods, thence west forty (40) rods, to place of beginning, in section ten (10)—all above being in township thirty (30), range four (4) east, in Iron County, Missouri, and containing seventy-five (75) acres. (This trust deed is given subject to one for \$550.00 given County of Iron.)

Which conveyance was made in trust to the said T. E. Loyd to secure the payment of one certain promissory note, more particularly described therein:

And, whereas, default has been made in the payment of said note, now past due and unpaid:

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given that pursuant to the power in me vested by said deed of trust, and pursuant to the request of the legal owner and holder of said note, I, the undersigned, T. E. Loyd, Trustee in said deed of trust, will sell the real estate above described at public vendue, to the highest bidder for cash, at the east front door of the Court House in the City of Ironton, Iron County, Missouri, on

Saturday, the 20th day of May, 1922,

between the hours of nine o'clock in the forenoon and five o'clock in the afternoon of that day, for the purpose of satisfying said indebtedness and the cost of executing this trust.

T. E. LOYD, Trustee.

Ironton, Mo., April 24, 1922.

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE.

Whereas, J. H. Willhite and Lucy M. Willhite, his wife, by their certain deed of trust, dated the 26th day of February, nineteen hundred and fifteen, and recorded in Book 62, at page 349, of Iron County Land Records, conveyed to the undersigned Trustee the following described real estate, situated, lying and being in the County of Iron and State of Missouri, to wit:

The south half of lots numbered one (1) and two (2) of the southwest quarter of section thirty (30), township thirty-five (35), range one (1) west; also the north half of lot numbered one (1) of the northwest quarter of section thirty-one (31), township thirty-five (35), north, of range one (1) west; also the east half of lot two (2) in the northwest quarter of section thirty-one (31), township thirty-five (35), north, of range one (1) west; also the northeast quarter of section thirty-one (31), township thirty-five (35), north, range one (1) west, containing three hundred and twenty (320) acres;

Which conveyance was made to the undersigned Trustee, in trust, to secure the payment of a certain promissory note and the same remains due and unpaid.

Now, therefore, at the request of the legal holder of said promissory note, I, the undersigned, Wm. R. Edgar, Jr., Trustee in said deed of trust, will, on

Friday, May 5th, 1922,

at the Courthouse door in the City of Ironton, in the County of Iron and State of Missouri, between the hours of nine o'clock in the forenoon and five o'clock in the afternoon of said day, proceed to sell the property hereinbefore described at public vendue, to the highest bidder for cash, for the purpose of satisfying said indebtedness and the costs of executing this trust.

WM. R. EDGAR, JR., Trustee.

Ironton, Mo., April 18, 1922.

Executors' Notice.

To Whom It May Concern: Notice is hereby given, that letters Testamentary on the estate of Gus Funk, deceased, were granted to the undersigned on the 18th day of April, 1922, by the Probate Court of Iron County, Missouri.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them for allowance to the Executor within six months after the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of said estate; and if such claims be not exhibited within one year from the date of the first insertion of the publication of this notice, they shall be forever barred.

This 18th day of April, 1922.

WILLIAM E. FUNK,
Executor with will annexed.

Attest: SAM M. BREWSTER,

Judge of Probate.

Ironton, Mo., April 18, 1922.

State of Missouri, ss.

County of Iron, ss.

I hereby certify that William E. Funk was granted Letters Testamentary upon the estate of Gus Funk, deceased, on the 18th day of April, 1922.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set [SEAL] my hand and affixed the seal of said Court this 18th day of April, 1922.

SAM M. BREWSTER,
Judge of Probate and ex-Officio Clerk

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